

**Radio Signal Modelers Flying Club**  
**February 2010 Newsletter**  
**February 1, 2010**



The February 2010 meeting was called to order by Vice President Mike Reinhart at the Strictly RC basement location at 7pm. In Secretary Ted Noncek's absence, Vice President Mike Reinhart read the minutes of the January 2009 meeting which were approved by the club.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Terry Gombert presented the Treasurer's report. The club started January 2009 with a beginning cash balance of \$1,486 including \$106 in PayPal. During the month the club had expenses of \$257, and ended the month with a cash balance of \$1,230. The Christmas party cost a total of \$982, with \$20 plus tax and tip per person. The club picked up the excess change over \$20 to keep the payment simple for members. The Treasurer's report was approved by the club.

**RSM Holiday Party**

Our annual X-mas party attendance was excellent with 47 adults and two children. All agreed the party was lots of fun with a nice array of prizes for our raffle. Thanks to Mike M and wife for procuring and wrapping them. The food was excellent however some dishes ran out too soon. Some complained of the high noise levels which made conversations hard to understand. We'll suggest to Dinos they should get some sound absorbing materials in the dining room.

**Amending Bylaws/Incorporation**

A discussion took place with respect to updating the club bylaws. Some of our club's antiquated bylaws were discussed. All members are asked to view them on the website and bring their suggestions to the next few meetings for continued discussion.

**Flight Instructors Committee**

Flight instructor committee chairman Don Zeller reported progress being made to make a club pamphlet for new members. We also discussed maybe hosting a special introductory/ground school day sometime this spring for new pilots in conjunction with Strictly RC.

**February Program/Show and Tell**

Don Raasch showed his very unusual in-progress winter project, a .46 class pusher glow engine Forward Swept-Wing Canard Stick plane. Don went into detail about how he sheeted the foam core wing using special ultra thin adhesive tape rather than glue. It was nice to see it in its raw balsa state. We look forward to seeing the finished product.

Adam Lukasik showed his new DG-1000 glider and how he solved a problem of instability with it using the FMA Co-PilotII. This glider has no dihedral which gives the long narrow wings lots of efficient lift. However this also made level flight very difficult to impossible. When switched on, the Co-pilot gives the craft an excellent "electronic" dihedral keeping the plane level without sacrificing this precious lift. This also makes for a more relaxing flight.

Mike R demonstrated the new Walkera X-Wing Fighter by flying it in our small meeting space with ease. It is incredibly stable and controllable utilizing 4 vertical motor/prop thrusters, 4 esc's and 3 gyros for pitch, bank, and yaw.

**Next Meeting—Monday, March 1st at Strictly RC at 7pm** The next meeting will take place at 7pm at the Strictly RC basement on Monday, March 1st. By Ted Noncek, Secretary (tnoncek@sbcglobal.net)